

APPLICATION COVER PAGE – 1 OF 2 (PROJECT BASIC CRITERIA)

Section 1: Application Cover Page; Basic Criteria *Please use this page, or re-create as is.*

- 1. PROJECT TYPE:** *(As mandated by the RESTORE Act, funds may only be used for one or more of the allowable uses listed below, which the County cannot amend or change. Carefully review each criteria listed below and determine if your project will achieve one or more of the allowable uses below. Projects that do not meet at least one of the allowable uses below will not be considered for funding. Check all that apply.)*

- ☒ Restoration and protection of natural resources, ecosystems, fisheries, marine and wildlife habitats, beaches, and coastal wetlands of the Gulf Coast Region.
- ☒ Mitigation of damage to fish, wildlife, and natural resources.
- ☐ Implementation of a federally approved marine/coastal management plan, including fisheries monitoring.
- ☐ Workforce development and job creation.
- ☐ Improvements to or on state parks in coastal areas affected by the Deepwater Horizon oil spill.
- ☐ Infrastructure projects benefitting economy or ecological resources, including port infrastructure.
- ☐ Coastal flood protection and related infrastructure.
- ☒ Planning assistance.
- ☐ Activities to promote tourism and seafood in the Gulf Coast region, for one or more of the following:
 - ☐ Promotion of tourism in the Gulf Region, including recreational fishing.
 - ☐ Promotion of the consumption of seafood harvested from the Gulf Coast region.

- 2. CONTACT INFORMATION:** *(Include at least one name, phone number, email address, and organization name if applicable)*

- Organization: Key West Wildlife Center
- Address: P. O. Box 2297
- City, State, Zip Code: Key West, FL 33045
- Contact Person:
 - Name: Peggy Coontz
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 - Phone: 305-292-1008 (wk.) 540-771-0053 (cell)
 - Email Address: info@keywestwildlifecenter.org

Section 2. Application Cover Page; Project Summary Information

Please utilize this sheet or re-create, but keep format as is.

3. Project Name: (Provide a short, succinct title for the project)

Oiled Wildlife Care and Education Facility

4. Project Executive Summary: (Provide a concise summary or abstract in the space below; do not exceed the space below.)

- Procure and install a 56'X24' modular building to house a state of the art facility to be used for the care of impacted oiled wildlife during a major hazardous material spill. This facility will be the **only** one of its kind in the Florida Keys.
- Provide training workshops for oil spill response and preparedness, given by the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, Tri-State Bird Rescue and Research Inc., International Bird Rescue, and other interested partners.
- Create educational exhibits on oil-spill response and oil spills that will be designed by project partners.
- Create educational exhibits on the fragile ecosystem of the Florida Keys that will be designed by project partners.
- Provide a location for informational exhibits on how RESTORE Act funds benefit the Florida Keys.
- Improve the existing wildlife rehabilitation facility managed by the Key West Wildlife Center.
- Improve existing educational exhibits at Key West Wildlife Center and Indigenous Park.

5. Range of Benefit: Does this project have a

- ☒ Local benefit?
- ☒ Keys-wide benefit?
- ☒ Regional benefit?
- ☒ Gulf-wide benefit?

(Provide the location of the project and a brief description of the area that is benefiting; do not exceed the space below.)

- The Key West Wildlife Center's Oiled Wildlife Care and Education Facility benefits the following areas:
- The project benefits the local Key West area by providing a facility to treat local wildlife and educate the public about oil spills and their impacts on our environment. It also benefits the Florida Keys Area Contingency Plan by providing a base of operations for oiled wildlife response and education/training of the public.
 - The project has a Keys-wide benefit by providing training to area wildlife rehabilitators and others to be better prepared in the event of a major oil spill. The facility will be stocked with equipment and supplies to be used Keys-wide in the event of a spill.
 - The project will have a Regional and Gulf-wide benefit by treating oiled wildlife that will migrate and live throughout the Gulf. It will also raise awareness and provide education/training opportunities to individuals and wildlife organizations throughout the Gulf area.

6. Project Cost: (Provide the actual/estimated project cost, the amount being requested with this submission, and the amount of match committed to the project from any source. Please make clear the total project cost and the amount you are requesting. There is an opportunity to provide detailed cost/request/match information in the narrative section (see question 8.)

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| • Total Project Cost: | \$ <u>864,331.00</u> | |
| • RESTORE Request Amount: | \$ <u>637,131.00</u> | %of project cost: <u>74</u> |
| • Secured Cash Match (committed funding from other sources): | \$ <u>0.00</u> | %of project cost: <u> </u> |
| • In-kind Match value: | \$ <u>227,200.00</u> | %of project cost: <u>26</u> |
| • Funding Gap: | \$ <u>0.00</u> | %of project cost: <u> </u> |
| • Anticipated Cash Match (potential funding from other sources)*: | \$ <u>0.00</u> | %of project cost: <u> </u> |

*These funds must be secured within 1 year of project award.

PROJECT BUDGET		FUNDING		
Activity/ Item	Cost	Anticipated RESTORE Funding	Cash Match	In-kind Match
Planning/Design/Permitting				
Survey and Architect Fees	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00	0	0
Building Permits	\$28,271.00	\$28,271.00	0	0
Educational Exhibit Design	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	0	0
Grant Administration*:	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	0	0
Planning Subtotal:	\$41,771.00	\$41,771.00	0	0
Construction or Project Activity(ies)				
Modular Building and Installation	\$185,403.00	\$185,403.00	0	0
Ed. Exhibits Construction and Installation	\$22,000.00	\$22,000.00	0	0
Appliances, Medical and Office Equipment	\$40,547.00	\$40,547.00	0	0
Grant Administration*	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00	0	0
Construction Subtotal:	\$255,450.00	\$255,450.00	0	0
Monitoring / 5 Year Project Operating Costs				
Oiled Wildlife Care Training Workshops	\$36,810.00	\$36,810.00	0	
Utilities (water, electric, phone, internet)	\$102,000.00	0	0	\$102,000.00
Project's Staff Salaries	\$400,800.00	\$293,600.00	0	\$107,200.00
Liability Insurance	\$10,500.00	0	0	\$10,500.00
Accountant Fees	\$7,500.00	0	0	\$7,500.00
Grant Administration*:	\$9,500.00	\$9,500.00	0	0
5 Year Project Costs Subtotal:	\$567,110.00	\$339,910.00	0	\$227,200.00
Project Cost				
Total Administration*:	\$18,000.00	\$18,000.00	0	\$120,000.00
TOTAL Project Cost:	\$864,331.00	\$637,131.00	0	\$227,200.00

(Please make reference to the included table entitled Oiled Wildlife Care and Education Facility's Estimated Costs by Year if you need additional information.)

Estimated Costs by Year	
Year 1	\$339,176.00
Year 2	\$163,949.00
Year 3	\$120,402.00
Year 4	\$120,402.00
Year 5	\$120,402.00
Year 6	n/a

*Notes: Only complete the sections of the budget that are applicable for your project. Please refer to question 8 to provide further explanation of budget details. *The RESTORE Act places a total 3% cap on administrative expenses. We are uncertain at this point how this will be applied, how "administration" will be defined or assigned, or whether projects may even be able to include administration. We are waiting on further guidance from US Treasury rules to define this. Please keep this in mind as you develop your budget. Administrative costs typically include but may not be limited to overhead costs for basic operational functions (insurance, utilities), as well as costs associated with admin staff such as accountants, legal, etc.*

- 7. Project Description:** *(Describe all aspects of the project; what issue, need, concern or problem does the project address? Why is the issue/need/concern/problem important? Is there an urgency or immediacy to the need? Provide facts and data sources used to support the need for this project. What and/or who does the project impact, benefit or affect; what will it accomplish when completed? Provide facts and data sources to support the expected impacts. Provide any other relevant information needed to describe your project. Be sure you make the connection between your project and the RESTORE Act criteria selected on first page. Provide citations for all references quoted or used to support the need for and impacts of this project.*

Maximum 20 pts. How important is this project in terms of the need it meets and the goals it is seeking to achieve? How critical is the need it addresses? Is the need supported by data/facts? Is this project likely to meet its goals? Is the project approach organized and well thought out?

The scope of the Key West Wildlife Center's Oiled Wildlife Care and Education Facility is three-fold, first, to ensure a state of the art facility in the Florida Keys is available to provide the necessary care for oiled wildlife; second, to provide training for oil spill preparedness and response; and third, to provide an education facility with exhibits on oil spills and their potential impacts on wildlife of the Florida Keys.

This project directly addresses the protection of natural resources, ecosystems, and wildlife of the Gulf Coast Region through oil-spill preparedness/response training and education. The project directly mitigates damage to wildlife during a major spill event and on a daily basis through the wildlife rehabilitation activities. The Key West Wildlife Center's Oiled Wildlife Care and Education Facility will address planning assistance by providing oil-spill preparedness/response training to wildlife rehabilitators and the public.

In the event of a major oil spill, it is important to keep in mind that our local wildlife rehabilitators will not be retained by the authorities charged to manage care for oiled wildlife. Two organizations in the United States are qualified to be retained by the authorities charged to manage the oiled wildlife care. Those organizations are Tri-State Bird Rescue and Research Inc. (Tri-State) and International Bird Rescue (IBR). These organizations have experienced staff trained to deal with all aspects of facility management in a major oil spill. Both organizations have provided input and letters of support for our proposal. (Please see attached: Budget for Oiled Wildlife Care Two Day Workshop by Tri-State)

One challenge Tri-State and IBR face is the lack of facilities equipped to care for oiled wildlife, at the site of the hazardous material spill. This proposal will provide a permanent facility that can be utilized for oiled wildlife care throughout the Florida Keys. The facility will be stocked with supplies for use in a moment's notice, thus allowing Tri-State or IBR to begin treatment for impacted wildlife immediately. No resources or time will be expended during a major spill event to create and stock a response facility and train personnel to care and rehabilitate wildlife once this facility is built. During normal operations the facility, managed by the Key West Wildlife Center, will provide a location for wildlife rehabilitation and education services. (Please see attached: Key West Wildlife Center's Board of Directors 2013)

The Key West Wildlife Center is a 501(c)(3) not-for profit that provides rescue and rehabilitative care to over 1000 native wild animals every year. Our mission is "Ensuring the future of our diverse native wildlife,

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by providing timely rescues and quality rehabilitation with the hope of release back to the wild.” Our facility has been providing wildlife rescue and rehabilitation services in the Lower Keys for over thirty years. Our focus is mainly on wild birds, but also includes land and sea turtles, land and marine mammals, as well as native reptiles and amphibians. The Key West Wildlife Center holds state and federal permits that allow us to operate as a rescue and rehabilitation facility. (Please see attached: FWC and USFWS Permits) The Key West Wildlife Center operates under Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission’s permits held by The Marathon Turtle Hospital and Save-A-Turtle of the Florida Keys to rescue and handle sea turtles.

The Key West Wildlife Center provides 24-hour emergency rescue services for wildlife in the Lower Keys. In our efforts to rescue and rehabilitate our native wildlife, the Key West Wildlife Center partners with many organizations, including the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, U.S. Fish and Wildlife, U.S. Navy and Coast Guard, Florida Highway Patrol, Monroe County Sheriff’s Office, Key West Fire and Police services, Marathon Turtle Hospital, Save-A-Turtle, Dolphin Research and Marine Mammal Conservancy. Our organization is dedicated to rehabilitating and releasing native species. The Key West Wildlife Center maintains a permanent facility for un-releasable birds who serve as wildlife ambassadors for educating school groups and the public. Our facility is open to the public daily, free of charge.

Oil spill preparedness training and education is another important component of this project. In the event of an oil spill occurrence in the Florida Keys, all aspects of life in our region will be affected. To ensure citizen access to preparedness training and education opportunities, this project will provide a facility in a central location for first responders, such as the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, Tri-State and IBR, to provide training and emergency response coordination. The Key West Wildlife Center’s Oiled Wildlife Care and Education Facility will strengthen the Florida Keys Area Committee’s Contingency Plan on oil spill preparedness and response as mandated in the Oil Pollution Act of 1990. (Please see attached: Oil Pollution Act Overview)

This project will address the need to educate our community about oil spill impacts and response. The project will provide funding to create an education facility with exhibits on oil spill impacts and response methods. Project partners like the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary, Tri-State, IBR and others will contribute their expertise when designing these exhibits. To compliment oil spill exhibits, partners will contribute expertise and design exhibits that will educate the public on the importance of safeguarding wildlife and habitats of the Florida Keys.

Additionally, this project will provide funding to design and display educational exhibits on the RESTORE Act and how those funds benefit the Florida Keys. The Florida State Consortium and Monroe County Commissioners will be invited contribute information to the content for these exhibits.

During the height of tourist season, the Key West Wildlife Center is visited by over 1000 residents and tourists a month. This project will improve the existing facilities and produce additional exhibits. The public’s interest, awareness and knowledge about wildlife conservation will be increased by this project.

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A facility located in Key West, organized, staffed and stocked with the necessary resources to effectively manage a hazardous material spill, will be utilized by national and regional partners responding to a hazardous material spill. The facility, conveniently reached via land, air and sea, will be quickly reached and up and running, serving as the center of operations for caring and rehabilitating impacted wildlife. Preparation and response time will be minimized.

The Florida Keys are located in close proximity to international drilling explorations, heavily used shipping lanes, underground jet fuel pipelines and US Highway 1, which increases the region's risk of experiencing major hazardous material spills. A facility dedicated to oiled wildlife care, education of our community about oil spill impacts and response methods, and the training of volunteers to assist in the care and rehabilitation of impacted wildlife would be a great asset to the state of Florida and the Florida Keys.

8. Budget Narrative/Financial Feasibility/Cost-Effectiveness: *(Be sure that your responses to this question and dollar amounts used are consistent with those used in Application Project Budget, and those in Question 6.*

- *Clearly indicate and describe the estimated or actual costs of the project.*
- *Clearly indicate and describe the amount and use of RESTORE Act funding request.*
- *Identify amount and sources for your secured cash match funding. ["Cash match" is defined as actual cash contributions to project costs. "Secured cash match funding" is funding that has been committed to your project.] Please demonstrate secured match funding with documentation such as commitment letter(s) from the funder(s).*
- *Identify amount and sources for your anticipated cash match. ["Anticipated cash match" is potential funding you have sought or will seek but is not confirmed.] Please note that an applicant must have its project's "anticipated cash match" secured within one year of award of RESTORE Act funding. Explain, if applicable, how these RESTORE funds may be used to leverage additional funding.*
- *If your project is also using in-kind match ["In-kind match" is defined as contribution to project costs other than cash], please identify what the in-kind match includes and how you calculated its value.*
- *Explain how the project is financially feasible [ie, is there a plan to cover all costs?]*
- *Explain how the project is cost-effective [ie, is this project a good value, is it economical in terms of the tangible benefits produced by the money being spent?])*

Maximum 15 pts. Several things will be evaluated with respect to the budget including match value, financial feasibility and cost-effectiveness.

To clearly indicate and describe the estimated costs of the project a table entitled Budget for the Oiled Wildlife Care and Education Facility has been embedded below.

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Budget for Oiled Wildlife Care and Education Facility

Project: Oiled Wildlife Care and Education Facility	Budget	Source
Hard Construction Costs		
24 x 56 Modular Structure (1344 sq ft)	\$105,950	Mobile Modular: Wes Kent
Installation (block, level, tie down)	\$4,800	Mobile Modular: Wes Kent
Raised Foundation: 4' augured piling w/column	\$12,000	All Keys
Delivery of modular	\$2,200	Mobile Modular: Wes Kent
Plumbing and Electrical	\$10,200	Carbone Electric
HVAC	\$4,000	Sub Zero
Security System	\$1,954	Protection Plus
Site Work	\$10,000	estimate
Covered Porch, ramp	\$25,000	All Keys
Fire Protection	\$1,000	Internet
Phone Line	\$569	Comcast
Web Cam System	\$2,730	webcamstore.com
In ground Grease Trap	\$5,000	Key West Building Dept.
Hard Construction Total	\$185,403	
Soft Construction Costs		
Architect and Engineers	\$5,000	estimate
Permits and Fees	\$28,271	Key West Building Dept.
Surveys	\$2,500	estimate
Soft Construction Total	\$35,771	
TOTAL CONSTRUCTION COSTS	\$221,174	
Appliances		Internet
Washer and Dryer (used)	\$2,000	
Refrigerator	\$1,500	
Microwave	\$329	
Total	\$3,829	
Medical Equipment		
Digital X-ray Machine (used)	\$15,000	www.vetxray.com
Blood Analyzer	\$5,000	www.apexx360.com
Blood Lead Level Analyzer	\$3,000	Lead Care II
Microscope	\$517	foremostequipment.com
Stethoscope	\$164	allheart.com
Gas Anesthesia /Oxygen Concentrator	\$5,200	avitec.com
Stainless steel shelf	\$423	globalindustrial.com
Heating Panels (6)	\$1,000	Internet
Heating Pads (6)	\$150	Softheat
Large Animal Air Blow Dryer (2)	\$340	www.petedge.com
Washing and Rinsing Tubs	\$500	Tractor Supply
Bank of Animal Cages	\$2,700	www.petedge.com
Misc. Storage Containers	\$1,000	Uline, Home Depot
Total	\$30,794	
Office and Audio/Visual Equipment		Office Depot and Uline
Office Desk with Hutch (2)	\$640	

Office Chair (2)	\$320	
Bookshelf	\$300	
Manual A/V Screen	\$122	
Laptop Computer	\$700	
Digital Projector	\$600	
Mobile Podium	\$640	
Folding Table (6)	\$720	
Collapsible Meeting Room Chair (21)	\$882	
Small Office Furniture (file cabinets, trash cans, window blinds)	\$1,000	
Total	\$5,924	
TOTAL APPLIANCES & EQUIPMENT COSTS	\$40,547	
Educational Exhibits		
Planning and Design	\$5,000	Frina Design
Construction and Installation	\$22,000	ADM Two
Total	\$27,000	
Staff for Oiled Wildlife Care and Education Facility		
Project Construction Manager (20hrs/wk @ \$45/hr 6 months)	\$21,600	estimate
Project Coordinator (5 yrs @ \$40,000/yr (salary))	\$200,000	www.payscale.com
Project Educational Interpreter (40hrs/wk @ \$10/hr 3 yrs)	\$72,000	www.payscale.com
Facility Maintenance, staff and supplies (5 yrs @ \$21,440/yr)	\$107,200	KWWC
Total	\$400,800	
2 Day Workshop -Oiled Wildlife Response Training	\$36,810	\$7362.00, annually for 5 yrs
Indirect Costs:		
Accountant/ Grant Administrator (6hrs/month @\$50 for 5yrs)	\$18,000	Debbie Greene
Accountant (\$1500/year)	\$7,500	Ward and Meyers LLC
Insurance (\$175/month for 5yrs)	\$10,500	Key West Insurance
Electric (estimated \$600/month for 5 yrs)	\$36,000	City of Key West
Water (estimated \$1000/month for 5 yrs)	\$60,000	City of Key West
Phone and Internet (\$100.00/month for 5 yrs)	\$6,000	Engage Comm.
Total	\$138,000	
Total Project Costs	\$864,331	
In-Kind Donations		
Key West Wildlife Center - Donations	\$131,200	
City of Key West	\$96,000	
Total	\$227,200	
Total Project Costs	\$864,331	
Total In-Kind Donations	(\$227,200)	
Total Requested for RESTORE Act Grant	\$637,131	

As indicated in the table above the estimated total costs for the project is \$864,331.00.

The total amount requested from RESTORE Act funding is \$637,131.00.

For this project we have no cash or anticipated cash matching funds available.

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We do have a total of \$227,200.00 of in-kind matching funds.

The in-kind matching funds come from two sources, the City of Key West and the Key West Wildlife Center. The City of Key West will provide an estimated amount of \$96,000.00 of in-kind matching funds by being responsible for covering the costs of water and electricity during the five years the project is funded by the RESTORE Act. The Key West Wildlife Center will provide an estimated amount of \$131,200.00 of in-kind matching funds by being responsible for the staff salary and supplies needed for facility maintenance, the accountant's fee for tax preparation, the liability insurance, and the costs for phone and internet connections during the five years the project is funded by the RESTORE Act.

The RESTORE Act funding and the in-kind donations will completely cover the costs of this project. The amount of funds requested from the RESTORE Act and the in-kind donations will cover the costs for the construction of the Oiled Wildlife Care and Education Facility. The funds requested will allow for the design and construction of new educational exhibits and an educational interpreter to create new opportunities for educational activities in the Florida Keys. The facility will be a location for free training exercises to be conducted to help our community be better prepared in the event of a major hazardous material spill. The facility will be the location where the Key West Wildlife Center will provide care to the over 1000 injured and orphaned native wild animals that are rescued annually. In the event of a major hazardous material spill the facility will provide a location for the Oil Spill Response Teams from Tri-State Bird Rescue and Research and/or International Bird Rescue to base their operations for oiled wildlife care.

For the total project cost of \$864,331.00, an immense amount of local and regional value is achieved. Not only does this cost provide an Oiled Wildlife Care Facility fully stocked and ready to rescue, rehabilitate and release oiled wildlife, it also provides training and education components. This training and educational programming will prepare wildlife rehabilitators and members of the public to assist the Florida Keys Area Committee in responding to a major spill event and raise local awareness about oil spills, ecosystems and conservation.

- 9. Technical Feasibility:** *(Explain how this project is technically feasible; ie, how do you know that this is a feasible project that can be implemented and that will result in success. Describe the technologies involved. Describe relevant past experience or proven success with this type of technology and this type of project. Describe why this project is likely to succeed?)*

Maximum 5 pts. Is this approach likely to work?

It has been proven that providing training and education improves response time and positive outcome in relation to major disaster events. Training and education also lessen public fears and panic when confronted with an event like a major oil spill. The training and education provided by our proposed facility will not only improve our response to an oil spill but will also lessen the impact on the natural resources involved. The training workshops provided through this proposal will allow local wildlife rehabilitators and

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community members to train for and respond to a major event with a higher level of qualification and competence.

The technical feasibility for the treatment of oiled wildlife has been documented by both Tri State Bird Rescue and Research and International Bird Rescue. It has been demonstrated that when you have a purpose built facility, trained staff, and the right supplies on hand, the treatment of oiled wildlife can be highly successful. Though release rates vary between different species and different circumstances, studies show that between fifty and eighty percent of animals rescued are successfully released if treated properly during a major spill event. (Please see attached: Every Bird Matters by IBR) The lessons learned from the Exxon Valdez 1990 spill, Tampa Bay 1993 spill and Deepwater Horizon 2010 spill all attest to the urgent need for a prompt skilled response and the benefits it can provide in mitigating damage to oiled wildlife.

10. Readiness for Implementation/Permitting Considerations: *(What steps are necessary and how long will it take to implement this project? Describe the required design and permitting work required for implementation. How far along is the design and permitting? Has it started? Is it complete? If required permits have already been obtained, please attach copies. If the design has been completed, please attach copy of the design work. If the design work has not yet begun, please tell us how long this will take. If permits are required, but not yet obtained, please discuss how you know your project will qualify for the required permits and how long will this permit process take. In other words, if your project is not shovel-ready, what is entailed and how long will it take to before it becomes shovel-ready? Identify the specific milestones and timeframe for each.)*

Maximum 10 pts. Is the timeframe realistic? Is the permitting achievable? Is the timeframe acceptable?

The steps necessary for implementing this project are as follows:

- Enlist Support from the Community (Completed (Please see attached: Letters of Support))
- Permitting for care of the wildlife (KWWC Permits/IBR and Tri State Permits: All Completed)
- City of Key West support for project. (Completed)
- Approval for RESTORE Act and Receive Funds
- Complete Surveys and Building Design (In progress expected to take 6-8 weeks)
- Obtain Building Permits (2 months to complete)
- Begin Site Work and Project Construction

Implementing this project began with enlisting support from the Key West Community. We took our initial proposal to the Florida Keys Area Committee to actively seek support. We have received letters of support from, Florida Keys Audubon Society, The United States Coast Guard Auxiliary, Dolphin Research

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Center, and Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Committee. All of these agencies and organizations support our Oiled Wildlife Care and Education Facility. All of our Federal and State Permits for handling and rehabilitating wildlife are already in place. If awarded a RESTORE Act grant, the proper building permits and approval can be acquired from the City of Key West, which is estimated to take two months. Surveying and building design will take an estimated six to eight weeks. Once all this is in place, site work and project construction can begin. We have budgeted for a Project Construction Manager to ensure that all activities progress efficiently.

11. Project Completion Timetable: *(Once the project can be implemented, what are the steps and how long will it take to complete the project? Identify milestones and timeframe for each.)*

Maximum 10 pts. Timeframe realistic? Is the timeframe acceptable?

The first year of the project will include the planning and installation of the modular building that will house the Oiled Wildlife Care and Education Facility. The Project Construction Manager will be hired to keep the construction progress on schedule. We believe that completing construction during the first year is a realistic timeframe. During the first year it may be necessary for the first of the five Two Day Training Workshops on Oiled Wildlife Care to be held at an offsite location. While the Oiled Wildlife Care and Education Facility project is occurring the Animal Care Director for the Key West Wildlife Center will take on the responsibilities of the Project Coordinator.

The second year of the project will include procuring and installing the appliances and the office and medical equipment. Also during the second year, the educational exhibits will be planned, designed, constructed and installed. During the second year, the second of five Two Day Training Workshops on Oiled Wildlife Care will be held in our new facility and the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary will be invited to use the new facility for their Hazardous Materials Training Workshops. By the later part of the second year The Key West Wildlife Center's Oiled Wildlife Care and Education Facility will be well stocked and ready to treat injured and oiled wildlife. Also by the end of year two the Environmental Educational Interpreter will be hired. The Project Coordinator and the newly hired Environmental Interpreter will be tasked with creating the educational curriculum for the new facility.

During the third, fourth and fifth years of the project the Key West Wildlife Center's Oiled Wildlife Care and Education Facility will be fully operational. While operating under the RESTORE Act funding, the Project Coordinator and the Environmental Education Interpreter will pursue additional educational outreach opportunities and work to increase public awareness of the facility. The public awareness and educational outreach activities will help ensure that the facility acquires a solid community foundation and increases potential donation income. The increased donation income will be important for the long term success of the project. We project it will be financially feasible for the Key West Wildlife Center to continue the Oiled Wildlife Care and Education Facility at year six and beyond.

12. Environmental Benefits: *(Describe the nature, magnitude, and timing of any environmental benefits attributable to the project. Identify and quantify all environmental benefits expected. How will these benefits be measured and evaluated? How long before benefits are realized? Are these benefits short-term? Long-term? Identify the party responsible for the achievement of these benefits. Describe how your project is sustainable. (In other words, how much or what percentage of the project's services and/or benefits will still be delivered and maintained after the project is complete and/or funding has ended.) How will you monitor and ensure sustainability after the funding has ended. Please address any potential environmental impacts (ie, loss of habitat) associated with implementing or maintaining the project.)*

Maximum 10 pts. Are the benefits impactful? Do the benefits address/correct/mitigate/advance a critical need/issue? Likelihood of achieving these benefits? Acceptable timeframe for achieving the benefits? Does the project have long-term sustainability?

The environmental benefits of the Key West Wildlife Center's Oiled Wildlife Care and Education Facility are impactful in three main ways. The first major environmental impact of our proposed facility will be realized through the amount of wildlife we will be able to rescue, treat and release during a major spill event. Having a fully stocked Oiled Wildlife Care and Education Facility will allow the impact to be felt across the gulf region and beyond in terms of returning compromised migratory wildlife to the environment after a major spill event.

The second is the environmental impact associated with the training programs we will be running through our proposed facility. These training impacts will be realized by having trained and certified wildlife rehabilitators and members of the community ready to make a difference and effectively participate during a major spill event. These environmental benefits directly mitigate the effects of a major incident on native wildlife. They address and correct the lack of permanent facilities in Sector Key West available for wildlife oil spill mitigation. They also advance a program of education and training that will improve wildlife rehabilitators and ordinary citizen's ability to respond to a major spill event in the Florida Keys.

Lastly, our educational exhibits will serve to raise public awareness about the risks and hazards involved in an oil spill, and the need to use our resources more responsibly. The Oiled Wildlife Care and Education facility would be continuing the work of our current facility that has sustained itself through private donations and City of Key West funding for over thirty years. The likelihood of achieving all of these environmental benefits is high due to establishing a facility using the knowledge and experience of International Bird Rescue, Tri State Bird Rescue, and the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary who have successfully trained volunteers and treated wildlife involved in major spill events worldwide.

13. Economic Benefits: *(Describe the economic benefits that will be achieved. Identify and quantify all economic benefits expected. How will these benefits be measured and evaluated? When do you expect to see the results? Are these benefits short-term? Long-term? How will you ensure the achievement of long-term benefits? Identify the party responsible for the achievement of these benefits. Describe how your project is sustainable. (In other words, how much or what percentage of the project's services and/or benefits will still be delivered and maintained after the project is complete and/or funding has ended.) How will you monitor and ensure sustainability after the funding has ended. If this is a workforce development project please describe how the project will result in new, expanded or retained business development opportunities and job creation. Please include detail about what types of jobs will be created? How many and when? What is the anticipated annual salary or hourly rate, are the jobs full time or part time, are benefits included, etc.?)*

Maximum 10 pts. Level of benefits? Do they address/correct/mitigate/advance a critical need/issue? Likelihood of achieving these benefits? Acceptable timeframe for achieving the benefits? Does the project have long-term sustainability?

Native wildlife in the Florida Keys attracts eco-tourism from around the world. Some would say that the environment is our economy when it comes to eco-tourism in the Florida Keys. A major oil spill event would directly affect the economic benefits of eco-tourism. From a solely economic point of view, the Key West Wildlife Center's proposal would have a positive, efficient and strong response to protecting our tourism based natural resources including wildlife, giving wildlife the best chance of recovering from a major spill event and continuing to support the eco-tourism spending specific to our area. An Oiled Wildlife Care and Education Facility would help ensure that the tourism based economy would stay robust by protecting the diversity of our native species.

The educational and training benefits of our facility would create an economic benefit by raising awareness of the importance of conserving and protecting our natural resources and by providing a base of operations and trained individuals to help in the event of a major incident in the Florida Keys. Having a pre-stocked Oiled Wildlife Care and Education facility prepared ahead of a spill event will save time and money during the critical moments that the Florida Keys are affected. Instead of having to organize, stock, and set up a response facility while the spill is taking place, our proposal would already have in place all the elements needed to mitigate damage to wildlife. These benefits can be measured by the release rate of oiled wildlife treated at a facility during a major event and by how much eco-tourism suffers from a spill. The benefits of our proposed facilities economic impact on tourism can also be measured by visitors that will be attracted to our educational exhibits and state of the art attraction. These will be measured through our annual attendance estimates. The Key West Wildlife Center and project partners will be responsible for the achievement of these benefits

The benefits of the project will not end when the five year funding period ends. The Key West Wildlife Center will strive to maintain all aspects of the project into the future. The annual cost of maintaining the Oiled Wildlife Care Facility is \$120,402.00 (Please see attached: Oiled Wildlife Care and Education

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Facility's Estimated Cost by Year) but once in-kind contribution and unneeded costs are subtracted the annual costs for the project are \$58,240.00. (Please see the embedded table below.) With the increased awareness and additional educational activities created by the Oiled Wildlife Care and Education Facility the Key West Wildlife Center is projecting to show an increase in the annual donations received and be able to cover the \$58,240.00 to keep all aspect of the project funded. At this time the Key West Wildlife Center receives approximately \$42,000 in donations annually of which a portion is dedicated to fund the Oiled Wildlife Care and Education Facility.

Annual Project Costs/ RESTORE Act	\$120,402.00
Electricity- City of Key West	- \$12,000.00
Water- City of Key West	- \$7,200.00
Grant Administrator -no longer needed	- \$3,600.00
Training Workshop – request sponsors	- \$7362.00
Project Coordinator and Educator combined	-32,000.00
Annual Project Cost/ Key West Wildlife Center	\$58,240.00

14. Community Economic and/or Environmental Resilience Benefits: *(Describe if the project assists with our community's ability to anticipate, withstand, or recover (environmentally and/or economically) from hazards or threats, eg. hurricane evacuation, flood mitigation and prevention, future oil spills, shoreline protection, etc.)*

Maximum 5 pts. Level of benefits? Do they address/correct/mitigate/advance a critical need/issue? Likelihood of achieving these benefits? Acceptable timeframe for achieving the benefits?

Assisting our community's ability to anticipate, withstand and recover from future oil spills is the essence of The Key West Wildlife Center's Oiled Wildlife and Education Facility.

It will assist the Florida Keys ability to anticipate threats by being both an education and training facility to raise public awareness, lessen fears about an oil/hazardous waste spill and train individuals who wish to respond to a disaster.

The proposed facility will assist Florida's ability to withstand hazards and threats by creating a center that will rescue, clean, rehabilitate and release wildlife affected by a major event. Our facility will also provide a training center for those citizens wishing to assist the Florida Keys Area Committee in the event of an oil spill.

The Key West Wildlife Center's Oiled Wildlife Care and Education Facility will assist Florida's ability to recover from hazards or threats by providing a facility to treat affected wildlife and return them to their native habitats, restoring natural balance and natural resources to the compromised area.

From an economic benefits point of view, the Key West Wildlife Center's Oiled Wildlife Care and Education Facility would ensure that our wildlife have the best chance of recovering from a major spill event and be able to support the eco-tourism financial benefits for our area. Our environment is our economy and an

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Oiled Wildlife Care and Education Facility would help ensure that the tourism based economy would stay robust by keeping our wildlife protected. By the second year of the project The Key West Wildlife Center's Oiled Wildlife Care and Education will be fully operational and achieve the benefits expressed above by being ready to provide care for injured wildlife and conduct oil spill training workshops.

15. Complements to Existing Efforts/Public Acceptance: *(How does the project complement existing local, regional or state efforts/plans/objectives or on-going efforts/activities. Explain why your project does not interfere or conflict with any existing efforts, and why your project is not duplicative of any existing efforts. Also, please explain whether your project is consistent with/included in a local government Comprehensive plan, Capital plan, Mitigation Plan, Wastewater or Storm Water Master Plan, etc. If not part of an already approved plan, please describe any known or potential public approval or opposition to the project. Explain any efforts to determine public acceptance.)*

5 pts. Does the project align with county and/or municipal priorities? Is there clear public support?

This proposal complements existing local, regional and state efforts/plans/objectives in four main ways:

- The Key West Wildlife Center is a member of the Florida Keys Area Committee. This Committee created the Florida Keys Area Contingency Plan. The goal of the Plan is to have in place resources and organizations to respond to an oil spill in the Florida Keys. "Historically, the success or failure of an oil spill response effort is often determined as much by the organization in place as by the availability of personnel and clean up equipment. One of the purposes of this plan is to ensure that all appropriate agencies in the Florida Keys are aware of, and involved in, the local oil spill response organization." In this plan, the local oil spill response organization will be divided into two categories, planning and response. Both will be in place prior to an oil spill event and will be periodically exercised and/or evaluated. (The Florida Keys Area Contingency Plan can be found online at <http://ocean.floridamarine.org/ACP/KWACP/>) The Key West Wildlife Center's Oiled Wildlife Care and Education Facility complements and directly supports the stated goals of the United States Coast Guard, the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary, the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, the Environmental Protection Agency and the United States Navy as well as Key West, Monroe County and the State of Florida during a major oil event.
- The Key West Wildlife Center's Oiled Wildlife Care and Education Facility will complement the existing wildlife rescue and rehabilitation organizations in the Florida Keys by establishing training workshops for cleaning oiled wildlife and a facility fully stocked with oil spill response equipment and supplies made available for any hazardous material events that occur in the Florida Keys.
- The Key West Wildlife Center's Oiled Wildlife Care and Education Facility also ties into the Higgs Beach Master Plan. Monroe County and Friends of Higgs Beach have developed a master plan for the redesign of Higgs Beach. The Key West Wildlife Center is situated in Sonny McCoy Indigenous

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Park and our proposal to build an Oiled Wildlife and Education Facility would complement the Higgs Beach master plan by adding another new facility with educational opportunities just across the street. This proposal will also enhance the Higgs Beach Plans by being another beneficial draw to tourism and eco-tourism in the area.

- The Key West Wildlife Center's Oiled Wildlife Care and Education Facility will complement the US Coast Guard Auxiliary efforts to educate the public about oil spills and oil spill response by creating a dedicated educational facility available to teach the public about the Coast Guard role in spills and to have a facility to hold training and certification classes such as HAZWOPER.

16. Compliance with Federal, State, Local Regulations: *(Describe how the project complies with all regulations. Note: Additional restrictions and requirements may be applicable based on US Treasury guidance to be established pursuant to the RESTORE Act.) No points awarded, since compliance with regulations is a requirement.*

The Key West Wildlife Center holds United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) permits to conduct wildlife rehabilitation of native birds. The Center also holds FWC permits to conduct wildlife rehabilitation of birds, terrestrial mammals, reptiles and amphibians. The Key West Wildlife Center is additionally authorized to rescue Sea Turtles under FWC Permits issued to the Marathon Turtle Hospital and Pat Wells.

During a major oil spill or hazardous waste emergency, the Key West Wildlife Center's Oiled Wildlife Care and Education Facility would be turned over to Incident Command leading the response. Incident Command would then work with either International Bird Rescue or Tri-State Bird Rescue to respond to any oiled wildlife affected by a spill. The Key West Wildlife Center's staff would work to support these organizations in the event of a major spill requiring federal response.

In the event of a minor spill, the Key West Wildlife Center would work under the guidance of the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary and/or the Florida Department of Environmental Protection to rescue, clean, rehabilitate and release wildlife affected by the spill. The Key West Wildlife Center has HAZWOPER certification which covers minimum safety standards for oil/hazardous waste response. (Please see attached: HAZWOPER Certificates of Accomplishment)

17. Project Management Capacity: *(We expect that all funded projects will receive a high degree of scrutiny from both state and federal agencies throughout their duration both programmatically and financially, and will be required to comply with a rigorous standard for monitoring, reporting and auditing of both results and expenditures.*

Please also note that the framework for RESTORE Act project funding has not yet defined but will likely draw significantly from federal grant guidelines, rules, regulations and requirements. Therefore, assuming the applicant entity will be responsible for implementing and administering its project according to federal grant guidelines, concisely:

- 1. Describe the expertise, experience and prior success of the organization and persons to implement the type and size project proposed here.*
- 2. Describe the organization's experience with federal grant requirements, and with management of government grant-funded projects of this type and size, including financial and outcomes, monitoring, reporting and auditing.*
- 3. Describe your plan for programmatic and financial management, oversight and monitoring.*
- 4. Describe the project management team, including the names, qualifications, experience and prior success of those responsible for design, implementation, outcomes achievement, and financial management.)*

Maximum 10 pts. Does the organization or sponsor have the demonstrated ability and experience to implement/administer this project, and deliver on the outcomes?

1. Debbie Greene, our Grant Administrator, has extensive prior experience and success with grant projects pertaining to construction as well as programming. In Joliet, Illinois she oversaw the rehab and reconstruction of an early 1900's greenhouse built by Lord and Burnham. The construction was sourced to companies to fabricate the design elements that had deteriorated and were switched from the original wood to metal that would last indefinitely. She also has administrated grants that remodeled the Pilcher Park Nature Center in Joliet. In addition she was the construction manager for the new construction of the Barber and Oberwortmann Horticultural Center Grant that was 1.5 million dollars in scope.
2. Debbie Greene has experience with the Federal Recreational Trails Program Grant. She was awarded \$168,000.00 for RTP 01-17 which was completed in good standing. She also has Administered Illinois OSLAD (Open Space Land Acquisition & Development Grants with projects totaling \$10,768,300.00. All projects have been completed and are in good standing with the state of Illinois. (Please see attached: Debbie Greene's Resume and List of Grants Written and Administrated By Debbie Greene)
3. The Key West Wildlife Center's Grant Administration Team will follow the "Best Practices" model for federal grants. All transactions will be properly recorded and accounted for to permit the preparation of reliable financial statements and federal reports, maintain accountability over assets and to demonstrate compliance with laws, regulations and other compliance requirements. Transactions shall be executed in compliance with laws, regulations, and the provisions of contracts or grant agreements that could have a direct and material effect on a federal program. All transactions will also be executed

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in compliance with laws and regulations that are identified in the compliance supplements; and funds, property, and other assets are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition.

4. The Project Management team for the Key West Wildlife Center's Oiled Wildlife Care and Education Facility will consist of the following: Debbie Greene, Esther Domian, Peggy Coontz, and Thomas Sweets. Debbie Greene, our Grants Administrator on this project, has written, been awarded, and managed over \$4.5 million in grants. Esther Domian, a Member of the Board of Directors of the Key West Wildlife Center, is an accountant at Keys Federal Credit Union lending her strong financial management skills to the project. Peggy Coontz is Animal Care Director at our center will take on the responsibilities of Project Coordinator. Thomas Sweets, Executive Director of The Key West Wildlife Center co-wrote and won a Together Green grant from Toyota and the National Audubon Society in order to build a rainwater cistern project and to plant native trees at our facility. The Key West Wildlife Center employs Ward and Meyers LCC as our accountants to assist with tax preparation and other financial matters.

18. Additional Information: *(Please include any maps, designs, drawings, photos, or background resources that may assist in understanding the project. Please be mindful of the electronic file size of your application. We will be forwarding this application to various reviewers/recipients electronically. Many servers do not accept large file sizes. Also limit attachments to those measuring 8x11 that can reproduced with little or no expense (limit color photos, blueprint type documents, etc.)*

Please make note of the included Letters of Support:

- International Bird Rescue
- Florida Keys Audubon Society
- United States Coast Guard Auxiliary, Division 13
- Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission
- Dolphin Research Center

Please make reference to the included documents:

- Budget for Oiled Wildlife Care Two Day Training Workshop – Tri-State
- Key West Wildlife Center's Board of Directors 2013
- Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission Permit for Wildlife Rehabilitation
- United States Fish and Wildlife Service Permit for Rehabilitation of Migratory Birds
- Oil Pollution Act Overview
- Every Bird Matters - IBR
- Oiled Wildlife Care and Education Facility's Costs by Year
- Certificates of Accomplishment – HAZWOPER Training
- Debbie Greene Resume and List of Grants



June 4, 2013

To Whom It May Concern,

International Bird Rescue (IBR) has been a leader in oiled wildlife rehabilitation and oil spill planning and response for 43 years. We have managed and lead the rehabilitation efforts in over 200 national and international oiled wildlife responses including the Exxon Valdez oil spill (Alaska, 1989) and the Deepwater Horizon oil spill (Louisiana, 2010). In the South African Treasure spill in 2000, we managed the rehabilitation of 21,000 oiled jackass penguins. 95% of those penguins were released back to the wild.

Our greatest successes have been in cases where thoughtful and smart pre-planning on a local and regional level had been established, trained local people and organizations were in place and the dynamics of a spill and its management well understood. Without proper preparation for the "inevitable" oil spill any oiled wildlife response will be negatively impacted.

International Bird Rescue wholeheartedly supports Key West Wildlife Center in their efforts to prepare and plan for oil spills in the southern Florida region as explained in their Restore Act Project Proposal –Oiled Wildlife Care Facility proposal. IBR is committed to lend expertise or leadership to these efforts as requested.

I can be reached at the phone number and email address below.

Thank you,

Jay Holcomb
Director
Jay.holcomb@bird-rescue.org
(707) 249-4870

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July 4, 2013

USCG Auxiliary, Division 13

Key West, FL 33040

Ms. Peggy Coontz
Animal Care Director
Key West Wildlife Center
1801 White St
Key West, FL 33040

Dear Ms. Coontz:

Division 13 of the US Coast Guard Auxiliary in the Florida Keys has received and reviewed in detail your project proposal for an Oiled Wildlife Care and Educational Facility to be located in Key West, FL. As members of the Area Committee responsible for community preparedness in the event of a future major oil spill, Division 13 fully endorses the project. Division 13 has been charged by the Area Committee to help train this community to be ready to assist in many forms of recovery efforts should an oil spill reach our shores. Your initiative to build a world class oiled wildlife care facility very much complements the preparedness goals of our community.

Thank you very much for your leadership in this effort. If the US Coast Guard Auxiliary can be of future assistance, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Elsie Metcalf in blue ink.

Elsie Metcalf
DCDR, Division 13
USCG Auxiliary

Handwritten signature of R. Dewey Jackson in blue ink.

R. Dewey Jackson
DSC 13
USCG Auxiliary

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Phil Goodman
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RE: Key West Wildlife Center Restore Act Proposal

To whom it may concern:

I would like to offer my support for the Key West Wildlife Center's Restore Act Proposal for an Oiled Wildlife Care and Educational Facility. In my position as a regional biologist for the south Florida area I have worked with the Key West Wildlife Center for over 10 years. I concentrate mainly on terrestrial species that are endangered, threatened, or in decline and assist in their survey and monitoring and recovery. As a consequence I am familiar with the region and its wildlife. Additionally, having assisted with the US Coast Guard's Area Contingency Plans, which outline sensitive wildlife areas, site manager contact information, species present and special precautions to take in the event of a hazardous material spill such as an oil spill, I am aware of the need for a strategically placed Oiled Wildlife Care and Educational Facility as proposed by the Key West Wildlife Center.

The Florida Keys is home to wildlife species and subspecies that do not occur elsewhere in the State of Florida or in the United States. Many species such as the Key Deer and Lower Keys marsh rabbit are state and federally endangered and threatened species. The Florida Keys, and specifically the Lower Keys, the Key West National Wildlife Refuge and the Dry Tortugas National Park also contain some of the largest nesting colonies of seabirds, shorebirds, and white-crowned pigeons in Florida. These species are highly vulnerable to oil spills at their nesting sites and foraging areas.

Unfortunately, the Key West area is also in close proximity to deep water oil drilling in the Gulf of Mexico and in waters off the Cuban coast. The nature of currents in that part of the Gulf means that oil from spills from just about any part of the Gulf of Mexico or off the northern coast of Cuba could eventually end up on the shorelines of the Florida Keys.

I urge you to consider the Key West Wildlife Center's proposal for funding. If you would like discuss this any further please contact me at Ricardo.zambrano@myfwc.com or at 561-882-5719.

Sincerely,

Ricardo Zambrano
Regional Biologist
South Region
Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission
8535 Northlake Boulevard
West Palm Beach, FL 33412



June 14, 2013

Florida Association of Counties
Monroe County

**RE: Restore Act Proposal – Oiled Wildlife Care and Education Facility
Endorsement of the Key West Wildlife Center**

Dear Members of Monroe County Advisory Committee:

The Florida Keys Audubon Society endorses the Key West Wildlife Center and recommends their proposal for creation of an Oiled Wildlife Center and Education Facility utilizing Restore Act Funds.

The Florida Keys Audubon Society supports organizations that promote an appreciation for and conservation of native bird species, researchers who study native species, and projects that aim to restore habitats that sustain native wildlife.

An education center and hazardous spill response facility located at Indigenous Park, Key West, operated by Key West Wildlife Center staff, will be an asset to the Florida Keys community. Residents and visitors to our city will learn about conservation of native species and habitats. Volunteers and first responders will receive training and coordinate response efforts at an established facility, eliminating the need to locate and supply a temporary facility. The benefit to impacted wildlife will be immediate availability to treatment, care and rehabilitation.

Please accept our endorsement for the Key West Wildlife Center and recommend funding for creation of an Oiled Wildlife Center and Education Facility at Indigenous Park.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Ignoffo
President



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August 8th, 2013

Mr. Tom Sweets & Ms. Peggy Coontz
Key West Wildlife Center
1801 White Street
Key West, FL33040

Dear Mr. Sweets & Ms. Coontz:

It is my pleasure to write a letter in support of the proposal titled 'Oiled Wildlife Care and Education Facility' that you are planning to submit to The Restore Act Funding Program.

With Dolphin Research Center having past experience in the rescue and rehabilitation of wildlife including marine mammals and other species over 30+ years we believe educating the general public about the importance of caring for the environment and the world we all share, including disaster response and preparedness, is invaluable.

As providers of a forever home to a stranded bottlenose dolphin, Louie, from the Deep Water Horizon Oil Spill this is something that is very close to our hearts. We support this proposal to educate and administer further care to the animals that share our beautiful islands of the Florida Keys.

Sincerely,

Rita Irwin
President/CEO

58901 Overseas Highway, Grassy Key Florida 33050-6019
Phone (305) 289-1121 • Fax: (305) 743-7627 • www.dolphins.org



Addendum B - Cost Proposal:
Oiled Wildlife Response Training (2 Day)
For
Key West Wildlife Center

Background & Purpose:

Tri-State Bird Rescue & Research, Inc. (TSBRR) was established in 1976 following an oil spill from the Liberian tanker the *Olympic Games*. Our goal is to create and maintain a multidisciplinary team of people to study the effects of oil on wildlife and to implement necessary measures to humanely respond to affected wildlife. One method to obtain this goal is through training volunteers and personnel who will be working with animals during crisis situations.

This proposal addresses the need for pro-active training for personnel handling animals during an emergency using oiled wildlife as an example.

Goals:

Key West Wildlife is taking the initiative to develop critical skills beforehand to help ensure that all animals receive humane and appropriate care during an emergency. This workshop provides participants with the core competencies needed to assist a Qualified Wildlife Responder.

Through dynamic teaching techniques, emphasis will be placed on developing:

- Safe work practices
- Knowledge
- Practical skills
- Critical & crisis oriented problem solving

This workshop will:

- Stress the importance of both human and animal safety
- Enhance the speed and quality of a response following an event
- Clarify the role of animal responders within the Incident Command System
- Improve the relationships between all parties involved in spill response
- Integrate case histories of actual incidents involving animals
- Advance the treatment and release rate for impacted animals
- Additional topics will be included to meet the unique needs of Key West Wildlife

Cost Information

2 Day Workshop fee (does not include travel and lodging): \$3,500**

Estimated cost for travel and lodging for a 3 person TSBRR teaching team: \$3862.00

* See below for a complete break down of cost estimate. These costs are based on the current rates for travel given the day the proposal was generated. The cost of meals will be prorated for any meals provided by Key West Wildlife. Hotels and airfare estimates were calculated based on an August/September timeframe.

** The workshop fee does not include food or snacks provided to participants.



Course Details for Key West Wildlife Center

Primary Key West Wildlife contact: Peggy Coontz
Animal Care Director
305-292-1008
info@keywestwildlifecenter.org

Primary TSBRR contact: Samantha Christie
Coordinator, Oil Programs
302-737-9543 X117
schristie@tristatebird.org

Date or time frame for workshop: TBD

Number of workshop participants: up to 35 each day

Length of workshop: 2 one (1) day workshops (1 basic & 1 advanced)

To be provided by TSBRR:

- Course materials
- 4 hours of safety training
- Certificate of completion

To be provided by Key West Wildlife:

- Prepare and distribute invitations
- Classroom set up for lecture & discussions
- Wildlife decontamination area – similar to a wet lab at university
- Materials for decontamination demonstration as decided on by TSBRR and Key West Wildlife
- Appropriate animal carcasses
- Cleaning and disinfectant supplies
- Additional supplies as necessary and agreed upon by TSBRR and Key West Wildlife

Travel and lodging estimates for the TSBRR team

Air travel and fees (\$ 500 x 3)	\$1,500.00
Hotel (2 room @ \$180/night x 3 nights)	\$1,080.00
Travel to Airport/Parking	\$ 80.00
Meals (GSA rate \$ 71 / day x 4 days x 3 people)	\$ 852.00
Car Rental/Fees/Gas (\$ 75 / day x 4 days + gas)	\$ 350.00
Total estimated travel and lodging costs	\$ 3862.00
Workshop fee	\$ 3500.00
Total estimated cost	\$ 7362.00

Bid accepted by: _____

Representing (group/organization/company name): _____

Date: _____

Return a copy of Pages 2-3 to TSBRR

fax 302.737.9562 or 110 Possum Hollow Road, Newark, DE 19711

Prepared by: Samantha Christie

Date generated: 27 June 2013

Proposal valid until: 31 December 2013

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Key West Wildlife Center
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17177 Bonita Lane West
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Project Manager (Retired)
MBA University of Georgia



Wildlife Rehabilitation Permit

FLORIDA FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION
DIVISION OF LAW ENFORCEMENT, CAPTIVE WILDLIFE OFFICE
620 SOUTH MERIDIAN STREET
TALLAHASSEE, FL, 32399-1600

Permittee Name: Mary Coontz
Permittee Address: P. O. Box 2297
City, State, Zip Code: Key West, Florida 33045

Permit #: WLR-12-0126
Effective Date: 11/7/2012
Expiration Date: 12/31/2013

IS AUTHORIZED TO:
Possess and care for sick and injured wildlife.

AUTHORIZED LOCATION:
Key West Wildlife Center, 1801 White Street, Key West, Florida 33040

Permittee Signature

Handwritten signature of Mary Coontz.

Date

12/9/12

Not valid unless signed. By signature, the permittee confirms that all information provided to issue the permit is accurate and complete, and indicates acceptance and understanding of the provisions and conditions listed below. **Any false statements or misrepresentations when applying for this permit may result in felony charges and will result in revocation of this permit.**

Authorized by: Colonel Jim Brown

Authorizing Signature

Handwritten signature of Lt. Col. Michael Winn.

Date

12/04/12

Jim Brown

PERMIT CONDITIONS AND PROVISIONS:

I. General Provisions:

- A. All wildlife possessed under the authority of this permit shall remain the property of the State of Florida and under the primary jurisdiction of the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC).
- B. A rehabilitation permit shall not be required for care or treatment of exotic or non-native wildlife, provided that persons possessing Class I or Class II exotic wildlife are licensed according to Rule 68A-6.002, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.).
- C. To possess migratory birds for rehabilitation purposes requires a permit to be obtained from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
U. S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

FEDERAL FISH AND WILDLIFE PERMIT

1. PERMITTEE

KEY WEST WILD BIRD CENTER, INC.
dba KEY WEST WILDLIFE CENTER
P.O. BOX 2297
KEY WEST, FL 33045
U.S.A.

2. AUTHORITY-STATUTES
16 USC 703-712

REGULATIONS
50 CFR Part 13
50 CFR 21.31

3. NUMBER
MB32441A-1 AMENDMENT

4. RENEWABLE
☒ YES
☐ NO

5. MAY COPY
☒ YES
☐ NO

6. EFFECTIVE
09/04/2012

7. EXPIRES
03/31/2016

8. NAME AND TITLE OF PRINCIPAL OFFICER (If # 1 is a business)

MARY M. "PEGGY" COONTZ
ANIMAL CARE DIRECTOR

9. TYPE OF PERMIT

REHABILITATION

10. LOCATION WHERE AUTHORIZED ACTIVITY MAY BE CONDUCTED

Birds will be housed at 1801 White Street, Key West, Florida, 33040.

11. CONDITIONS AND AUTHORIZATIONS:

A. GENERAL CONDITIONS SET OUT IN SUBPART D OF 50 CFR 13, AND SPECIFIC CONDITIONS CONTAINED IN FEDERAL REGULATIONS CITED IN BLOCK #2 ABOVE, ARE HEREBY MADE A PART OF THIS PERMIT. ALL ACTIVITIES AUTHORIZED HEREIN MUST BE CARRIED OUT IN ACCORD WITH AND FOR THE PURPOSES DESCRIBED IN THE APPLICATION SUBMITTED. CONTINUED VALIDITY, OR RENEWAL, OF THIS PERMIT IS SUBJECT TO COMPLETE AND TIMELY COMPLIANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE CONDITIONS, INCLUDING THE FILING OF ALL REQUIRED INFORMATION AND REPORTS.

B. THE VALIDITY OF THIS PERMIT IS ALSO CONDITIONED UPON STRICT OBSERVANCE OF ALL APPLICABLE FOREIGN, STATE, LOCAL, TRIBAL, OR OTHER FEDERAL LAW.

C. VALID FOR USE BY PERMITTEE NAMED ABOVE.

D. This permit authorizes you to:

- (1) take from the wild or receive from another person sick, injured, or orphaned migratory birds and to possess them and provide rehabilitative care for them;
- (2) transport such birds to a suitable habitat for release, to another permitted rehabilitator's facilities, or to a veterinarian;
- (3) transfer, release, or euthanize such birds;
- (4) transfer or otherwise dispose of dead specimens; and
- (5) receive, stabilize, and transfer within 48 hours types of migratory bird species not authorized by your permit, in cases of emergency.

E. You may not salvage and must immediately report to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Office of Law Enforcement any dead or injured migratory birds that you encounter that appear to have been poisoned, shot, electrocuted, have collided with industrial power generation equipment, or were otherwise killed or injured as the result of potential criminal activity.

For suspected illegal activity, immediately contact USFWS Office of Law Enforcement at: Miami, Florida (305) 526-2610.

F. Any person responsible for the permitted activities when you or a subpermittee are not present must either possess his or her own Federal rehabilitation permit or be authorized as your subpermittee by being named in writing to your issuing migratory bird permit office.

G. You and any subpermittees must comply with the attached Standard Conditions for Rehabilitation Permits. **These standard conditions are a continuation of your permit conditions and must remain with your permit.**

☒ ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS AND AUTHORIZATIONS ALSO APPLY

12. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

ANNUAL REPORT DUE: 01/31

You must submit an annual report to your Regional Migratory Bird Permit Office each year, even if you had no activity. Form: www.fws.gov/forms/3-202-4.pdf

ISSUED BY

Carmen P. Smith

TITLE

CHIEF, MIGRATORY BIRD PERMIT OFFICE - REGION 4

DATE

09/04/2012

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Overview

The Oil Pollution Act (OPA) was signed into law in August 1990, largely in response to rising public concern following the *Exxon Valdez incident*. The OPA improved the nation's ability to prevent and respond to oil spills by establishing provisions that expand the federal government's ability, and provide the money and resources necessary, to respond to oil spills. The OPA also created the national Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund, which is available to provide up to one billion dollars per spill incident.

In addition, the OPA provided new requirements for contingency planning both by government and industry. The National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan (NCP) has been expanded in a three-tiered approach: the Federal government is required to direct all public and private response efforts for certain types of spill events; Area Committees -- composed of federal, state, and local government officials -- must develop detailed, location-specific Area Contingency Plans; and owners or operators of vessels and certain facilities that pose a serious threat to the environment must prepare their own Facility Response Plans.

Finally, the OPA increased penalties for regulatory noncompliance, broadened the response and enforcement authorities of the Federal government, and preserved State authority to establish law governing oil spill prevention and response.

Key Provisions of the Oil Pollution Act

§1002(a) Provides that the responsible party for a vessel or facility from which oil is discharged, or which poses a substantial threat of a discharge, is liable for: (1) certain specified damages resulting from the discharged oil; and (2) removal costs incurred in a manner consistent with the National Contingency Plan (NCP).

§1002(c) Exceptions to the Clean Water Act (CWA) liability provisions include: (1) discharges of oil authorized by a permit under Federal, State, or local law; (2) discharges of oil from a public vessel; or (3) discharges of oil from onshore facilities covered by the liability provisions of the Trans-Alaska Pipeline Authorization Act.

§1002(d) Provides that if a responsible party can establish that the removal costs and damages resulting from an incident were caused solely by an act or omission by a third party, the third party will be held liable for such costs and damages.

§1004 The liability for tank vessels larger than 3,000 gross tons is increased to \$1,200 per

gross ton or \$10 million, whichever is greater. Responsible parties at onshore facilities and deepwater ports are liable for up to \$350 million per spill; holders of leases or permits for offshore facilities, except deepwater ports, are liable for up to \$75 million per spill, plus removal costs. The Federal government has the authority to adjust, by regulation, the \$350 million liability limit established for onshore facilities.

§1016 Offshore facilities are required to maintain evidence of financial responsibility of \$150 million and vessels and deepwater ports must provide evidence of financial responsibility up to the maximum applicable liability amount. Claims for removal costs and damages may be asserted directly against the guarantor providing evidence of financial responsibility.

§1018(a) The Clean Water Act does not preempt State Law. States may impose additional liability (including unlimited liability), funding mechanisms, requirements for removal actions, and fines and penalties for responsible parties.

§1019 States have the authority to enforce, on the navigable waters of the State, OPA requirements for evidence of financial responsibility. States are also given access to Federal funds (up to \$250,000 per incident) for immediate removal, mitigation, or prevention of a discharge, and may be reimbursed by the Trust fund for removal and monitoring costs incurred during oil spill response and cleanup efforts that are consistent with the National Contingency Plan (NCP).

§4202 Strengthens planning and prevention activities by: (1) providing for the establishment of spill contingency plans for all areas of the U.S. (2) mandating the development of response plans for individual tank vessels and certain facilities for responding to a worst case discharge or a substantial threat of such a discharge; and (3) providing requirements for spill removal equipment and periodic inspections.

§4301(a) and (c) The fine for failing to notify the appropriate Federal agency of a discharge is increased from a maximum of \$10,000 to a maximum of \$250,000 for an individual or \$500,000 for an organization. The maximum prison term is also increased from one year to five years. The penalties for violations have a maximum of \$250,000 and 15 years in prison.

§4301(b) Civil penalties are authorized at \$25,000 for each day of violation or \$1,000 per barrel of oil discharged. Failure to comply with a Federal removal order can result in civil penalties of up to \$25,000 for each day of violation.

§9001(a) Amends the Internal Revenue Act of 1986 to consolidate funds established under other statutes and to increase permitted levels of expenditures. Penalties and funds established under several laws are consolidated, and the Trust Fund borrowing limit is increased from \$500 million to \$1 billion.

For More Information

- [Full-text of Oil Pollution Act](#)



Every Bird Matters

Perhaps you have heard this wonderful story before; it is especially pertinent to International Bird Rescue's work:

An old man was walking along the beach and saw in the distance a young boy who appeared to be dancing and gyrating at the ocean's edge. As the man got closer, he realized that the boy was not dancing at all. The tide had gone out, beaching thousands and thousands of starfish. The boy was throwing starfish one after the other back into the ocean so that they might survive. "Son, you can't possibly throw all of those starfish back. How can what you are doing possibly matter," the old man asked. As the boy threw yet another starfish back into the safety of the ocean, he replied, "it mattered to that one."

That story captures the heart and soul of International Bird Rescue's work: it matters to every bird we save.

Everyone should clean up their own messes

As a society that is reliant on petroleum products, we all bear a responsibility for the impact that spilled oil can have on wildlife and the environment, and we should do everything possible to minimize harm or loss of life. International Bird Rescue's job is to capture, clean, and rehabilitate oiled aquatic birds and other animals so they can be released back into the wild. In many cases, we work for oil companies, since countries like Australia, Brazil, England, the United States and South Africa have laws in place requiring the responsible party to pay for clean-up. However, we also care for birds impacted by natural oil seeps and other events where there is no responsible party—our compassionate clinicians never turn their backs on animals in need.

As the world's oil companies continue to explore even further out into the oceans for oil, it is important that trained organizations are available to care for wildlife in the likely and possibly catastrophic event of a deepwater oil spill.

Stopping the spread of oil up the food chain

As part of the clean-up operation after an oil spill, all the oil must be removed from the environment; this includes any oiled wildlife, dead or alive. By getting oiled wildlife out of the field quickly, we can help prevent "secondary oiling," where clean animals unknowingly prey upon the oiled ones and become ill.

Saved birds go on to have families

When we rescue an animal, there are ripple effects that go well beyond that individual. Each animal saved can go on to rejoin and rebuild the wild population, helping to preserve future generations. This is especially critical with threatened and endangered species like Brown Pelicans and Snowy Plovers.

Practice makes perfect

International Bird Rescue is renowned for our leadership and expertise in the oiled wildlife recovery and rehabilitation field because our staff also cares for birds 365 days a year, even when there is no large-scale crisis. By managing two California-based bird rescue clinics, and treating birds impacted by weather events and other environmental and man-made threats, our experts are continually improving their skills, finding new and better ways of helping wildlife.

Bird Rescue's work saves lives

In 1996, 300 King, Spectacled and Stellar's Eider were oiled on the remote islands of the Pribilof in Alaska. Bird Rescue's team was able to save over 80 percent of the birds. During the 2000 Treasure spill in South Africa, rescuers cleaned 20,000 oiled African Penguins, eventually releasing 90 percent of them, and successfully relocated another 19,500 to prevent them from becoming oiled. Research papers have concluded the Penguins' population is 19 percent higher today than it would have been without wildlife rehabilitation in the past four decades. (1)

An evolving field

Thanks to International Bird Rescue's field research, bird rescue techniques have advanced greatly in the past 15 years. Proactive capture, the use of blood work and other diagnostics tools, and specialized cages and pools enable us to release rehabilitated birds in a much healthier state than ever before. In recent years, there have been a number of studies carried out with transmitters on seabirds that showed very promising results about the survival rates of rehabilitated birds. One study on oiled and rehabilitated Murres concluded that, "surviving murres were not compromised in movement, mobility, or navigation." (2)

1 Wolfaardt A, 2009. The Conservation Value of Cleaning Oiled African Penguins: A study of the impact of oil pollution on the African Penguin, and the conservation value of de-oiling contaminated birds. Lambert Academic Publishing, 317 pp.

2 Newman, S.H., R.T. Golightly, E.N. Craig, H.R. Carter, and C. Kreuder. 2004. The Effects of petroleum exposure and rehabilitation on post-release survival, behavior, and blood health indices: A Common Murre case study following the Styvesant petroleum spill. Oiled Wildlife Care Network, University of California, Davis. Pp. 1-46

Oiled Wildlife Care and Education Facility's Estimated Costs by Year

Project: Oiled Wildlife Care Facility	Cost
Year 1	
Survey and Architect Fees	\$7,500
Bldg Permits	\$28,271
Modular Bldg. Installation	\$185,403
Project Construction Manager	\$21,600
Project Coordinator	\$40,000
Facility Maintenance Staff and Supplies	\$21,440
Oiled Wildlife Training Workshop	\$7,362
Grant Administrator	\$3,600
Accountant Fees	\$1,500
Insurance	\$2,100
Electric	\$7,200
Water	\$12,000
Phone and Internet	\$1,200
Total for Year 1	\$339,176
Year 2	
Educational Exhibit Planning and Design	\$5,000
Educational Exhibit Construction and Installation	\$22,000
Procurement and Installation of Appliances and Equipment	\$40,547
Project Coordinator	\$40,000
Facility Maintenance Staff and Supplies	\$21,440
Oiled Wildlife Training Workshop	\$7,362
Grant Administrator	\$3,600
Accountant Fees	\$1,500
Insurance	\$2,100
Electric	\$7,200
Water	\$12,000
Phone and Internet	\$1,200
Total for Year 2	\$163,949
Year 3	
Project Coordinator	\$40,000
Project Educational Interpreter	\$24,000
Facility Maintenance Staff and Supplies	\$21,440
Oiled Wildlife Training Workshop	\$7,362
Grant Administrator	\$3,600
Accountant Fees	\$1,500
Insurance	\$2,100
Electric	\$7,200
Water	\$12,000
Phone and Internet	\$1,200
Total for Year 3	\$120,402

Project: Oiled Wildlife Care Facility	Cost
Year 4	
Project Coordinator	\$40,000
Project Educational Interpreter	\$24,000
Facility Maintenance Staff and Supplies	\$21,440
Oiled Wildlife Training Workshop	\$7,362
Grant Administrator	\$3,600
Accountant Fees	\$1,500
Insurance	\$2,100
Electric	\$7,200
Water	\$12,000
Phone and Internet	\$1,200
Total for Year 4	\$120,402
Year 5	
Project Coordinator	\$40,000
Project Educational Interpreter	\$24,000
Facility Maintenance Staff and Supplies	\$21,440
Oiled Wildlife Training Workshop	\$7,362
Grant Administrator	\$3,600
Accountant Fees	\$1,500
Insurance	\$2,100
Electric	\$7,200
Water	\$12,000
Phone and Internet	\$1,200
Total for Year 5	\$120,402
Total project Costs	\$864,331



Certificate of Accomplishment

Peggy Coontz

Has satisfactorily completed

8-Hour Hazardous Waste Operations and Emergency Response (HAZWOPER)

Marine Oil Spill Emergency Response Training for Operations Level

and demonstrated the necessary competencies

As prescribed by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration in

Title 29, U.S. Code of Federal Regulations, Part 1910.120

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Phillip L. Goodman, Instructor

ADSO-MS Pollution Investigation, D7
United States Coast Guard Auxiliary

June 15, 2013

Date of Completion



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Tom Sweets

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Debbie Greene
3307 Indianwood Lane
Joliet, IL 60431
815-409-0014 (Cell)

EXPERIENCE:

17 Years as Superintendent of Natural Resources and Grant Administration for the Joliet Park District

I have written and been awarded 4.5 million in grants. I was responsible for the Provena St. Joseph
Wood Athletic Club Sponsorship in the amount of one million dollars. I also secured a one million dollar
bequest to the Joliet Park Foundation for the Pilcher Park endowment fund.

Under my supervision we created Field Trips that match the state standards of Education in Illinois that
grew the number of children seen by the Nature Center for field trips from less than 100 per year to 15,000
children per year.

Increased the yearly revenue for the Nature Center over 10,000%! Ended the last fiscal year with
\$225,968.00 in revenue

15 Years of experience as Liaison to the Joliet Park Foundation and their Committees. Created, funded and
opened Little Sprouts Nature Based Early Learning Center.

Created a partnership between Provena St. Joseph Medical Center, ExxonMobil, Sodexo, Illinois
Extension Service and more for an afterschool program called Kids n Nature that has been given over
200,000 in funding.

Keynote speaker for the Will County Early Childhood Education Conference 2012

EMPLOYMENT:

5/96 - Present **Joliet Park District/ Pilcher Park Nature Center** Superintendent
Natural Resources/Grant Administration 3000 West Jefferson
Joliet, IL 60435
(815)-741-7277

4/95 - 11/95 **Houston Arboretum and Nature Center**
Office Manager/Buyer/Nature Shop Manager 4501
Woodway
Houston, Texas 77024
(713)-681-8433

3/93 - 4/95

City of Houston Parks & Recreation Department
Office of Marketing, Communications and Special Events
Administrative Assistant to the Assistant Director 2999 South Wayside
Houston, Texas 77023
(713)-845-1000

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

Past President of the Board of Directors for the Joliet Chamber of Commerce Council for Working Woman. Past Chair of the Program Committee for Council for Working Women.

Past Board Member for the Joliet Region Chamber of Commerce

Board of Directors/Steering Committee Southwest Suburban Philanthropic Network Member American Fundraising Professionals

Member West Suburban Philanthropic Network - Chicago Member of the Association of Nature Center Administrators Member American Horticultural Society

Presenter for the American Horticultural Center Youth Gardening Symposium in Delaware Speaking on Using the Underground Railroad as a means to teach Diversity

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT:

Jeremy & Lynn Miner Grantseekers, Joliet Junior College . Donors Forum of Chicago Classes taken:

ABC=s of Proposal Writing ABC=s of Individual Giving

Putting Evaluation to Work for You

Building Strategic Relationships with Major Donors Board Building

Graduated Disney Keys of Excellence Seminar Attended the IEG Selling More Sponsorship Seminar

Attended the National Dialogue on Children & Nature at NCTC 2006, 2012 Attended the Children & Nature

Grassroots Gathering in Jackson Hole , WY 2009 Attended the Children & Nature Grassroots Gathering in Colorado 2010

Grants Written and Administrated by Debbie Greene for the Joliet Park District

Granting Agency	Amount Received	Total Project Amount
Illinois Museum Association Grant Phase 1	\$280,000.00	\$840,000.00
Illinois Museum Association Grant Phase 2	\$350,000.00	\$350,000.00
Illinois Museum Association Grant Phase 3	\$448,000.00	\$448,000.00
OSLAD Splash Station	\$400,000.00	8,000,000.00
OSLAD Inwood Skate Park	\$200,000.00	\$400,000.00
OSLAD Hartman	\$117,400.00	\$234,800.00
OSLAD Ridgewood	\$560,000.00	\$799,000.00
OSLAD Nowell	\$125,000.00	\$250,000.00
OSLAD Casey	\$542,250.00	\$1,084,500.00
Urban Resources Partnership Grant	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
Urban Resources Partnership Grant	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00
Vitamin Anti-Trust Settlement Grant	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00
Recreation Trails Program	\$168,029.00	\$233,276.00
Illinois Clean Energy Grant	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00
Illinois Museum Capital Grant	\$600,000.00	\$600,000.00
Illinois Museum Operating Grant 1999	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
Illinois Museum Operating Grant 2000	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00

Illinois Museum Operating Grant 2001	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
Illinois Museum Operating Grant 2002	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
Department of Commerce & Economic Development Theodore Crossing	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00
Department of Commerce & Economic Development Pilcher Park Nature Center	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00
Exxon Mobil Foundation 2001	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00
Exxon Mobil Foundation 2002	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00
Exxon Mobil Foundation 2003	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00
Exxon Mobil Foundation 2004	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00
Exxon Mobil Foundation 2005	\$11,500.00	\$11,500.00
Exxon Mobil Foundation 2007	\$12,800.00	\$12,800.00
Exxon Mobil Foundation 2008	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00
Exxon Mobil Foundation 2009	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00
Exxon Mobil Foundation 2010	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00
Exxon Mobil Foundation 2011	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00
Exxon Mobil Foundation 2012	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00
Exxon Mobil Foundation 2013	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
Grand Victoria Foundation Mighty Acorns Grant	\$2000.00	2000,00
Grand Victoria Foundation Mighty Acorns Grant 2000	\$5,940.00	\$5,940.00

USDA Grant 1999	\$2,918.00	\$2,918.00
Starnet Grant	\$600.00	\$600.00
National Parks & Recreation Association Fishing Grant 2009	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
Association Fishing Grant 2010		
National Parks & Recreation Association Fishing Grant 2011	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
Association Fishing Grant 2012		
National Parks & Recreation Association Fishing Grant 2013		
Will County Community Foundation	\$52,000.00	\$52,000.00
Will County Community Foundation	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
NRPA Power Play 2002	\$28,965.00	\$28,965.00
NRPA Power Play 2005	\$3,700.00	\$3,700.00
NRPA Power Play 2013	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Program 2013		